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SUBJ: VAULT CONSTRUCTION - NOB DURBAN

REF: DRAWING NO. AA-422, SHEET NO. 1, OF PROPOSED

COMMUNICATIONS FLOOR PLAN CONTAINED IN DEPARTMENT'S

(O-OC) OM DATED MARCH 16, 1976

1. FLOOR PLAN IN REF OM ENTAILS CONSTRUCTING EAST WALL OF VAULT IN SUCH A FASHION THAT VERTICAL DUCT IN NORTHEAST CORNER OF PROPOSED COMMUNICATIONS AREA WOULD BE OUTSIDE VAULT. BUILDING CONTRACTOR AND ARCHITECT PROPOSE CONSTRUCT EAST WALL OF VAULT TO INCLUDE DUCT INSIDE, REPEAT INSIDE, VAULTED AREA. IN SO DOING, THEY WOULD AGREE TO GRILLING DUCT AT FLOOR AND CEILING SLABS AND, AFTER ALL PLUMBING AND CONDUIT LEADS TO VAULT THROUGH DUCT HAD BEEN ACCOMPLISHED, THEY WILL COVER OVER DUCT ABOVE AND BELOW GRILLE WORK WITH A SOLID CONCRETE SLAB.

2. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER VAULT WALL CONSTRUCTION REQUIRED AS PER REF OM OR WHETHER CONTRACTOR'S ALTERNATIVE TO NORTHEAST CORNER IS ACCEPTABLE. RATIONALE OF CONTRACTOR'S ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE ADDITIONAL SPACE INSIDE VAULT AND EASIER ACCESS TO DUCT IN EVENT PROBLEMS OCCUR RE PLUMBING/ELECTRICAL/CHILL WATER LEADS IN DUCT.

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